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Hebert Guides 3 House Panels

Veteran Renamed to CIA Committee

United States Rep. F. Edward Hebert was named chairman of three House Armed Services subcommittees and reappointed to the important Central Intelligence Agency Committee at an organizational meeting of the full committee Wednesday.

Chairman L. Mendel Rivers, D-S. C., announced that Hebert would again be chairman of Subcommittee No. 2, which handles a variety of military legislation and Reserve affairs.

In addition, the veteran congressman from New Orleans, who is third ranking of the 40-member House Armed Services Committee, was tapped as chairman of the Special Subcommittee on Military Academies, and a Special Subcommittee on Military Retirement.

He was again appointed to the Central Intelligence Agency Committee, a subcommittee of the Armed Services Committee which receives weekly briefings from the CIA about military operations through the world.

SUBCOMMITTEE NO. 2

Members of Subcommittee No. 2, which will be headed by Hebert, are Porter Hardy, D-Va.; Lucien Nedzi, D-Mich.; Allan Lennen, D-N. C.; G. Elliot Hagg, D-Ga.; Speedy Long, D-La.; William Bray, R-Ind.;

Charles Chamberlain, R-Mich.; Alexander Tirnie, R-N. Y.; and Donald Clancy, R-Ohio.

On Hebert's military academies subcommittee are Melvin Price, D-Ill., Charles Bennett, D-Fla., Charles Gubser, R-Calif., Tirnie and Clancy.

Members of the retirement subcommittee, chaired by Hebert are, Samuel Stratton, D-N. Y., Hervey Machen, D-Md., Alvin O'Konski, R-Wis., Bob Wilson, R-Calif., Long and Gubser.

Hebert announced at the organizational meeting that he would bring up his Reserve Bill of Rights at the first legislative meeting of the full committee.

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He said that with concurrence of chairman Rivers he would ask that the bill be referred to the full committee for immediate action and not sent to his subcommittee.

The Congressman said that he would ask that the bill be called to the House floor under a suspension of the rules which means that the bill would be voted upon and if passed in the House sent to the Senate in a minimum amount of time and without amendments.

It passed the House by a vote of 353 to 6 last year.

"The Senate will have as long

as it desires to consider the bill which died in that body last year," Hebert said, and then added: "Even two years if it needs it."

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Hebert Is Transferred From Watchdog Post

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Representative Hebert, Democrat of Louisiana, is leaving the House Armed Services "watchdog" subcommittee he headed for 10 years.

His new assignments, however, are regarded as still providing a good chance to probe the Pentagon and the Central Intelligence Agency.

There was some speculation that the transfer of the hard-hitting legislator from the special investigations subcommittee was a "kick upstairs." On the watchdog subcommittee he frequently has upset Defense Department civilian and military officials by his penetrating questions about Pentagon buying methods and contract negotiation procedures.

But the 62-year-old former New Orleans newspaperman,

who has served in the House since January 3, 1941, and Committee Chairman Vinson, Democrat of Georgia, declared the new arrangement was satisfactory to both.

Mr. Vinson announced last night that Mr. Hebert, fourth ranking Democrat on the committee, has achieved such seniority that he is entitled to the chairmanship of one of the three major legislative subcommittees.

Mr. Hebert will head the subcommittee handling bills related to military reserves and the National Guard. That was an especially controversial field last year because of protests in and out of the Pentagon against some of Defense Secretary McNamara's curtailment proposals.

Mr. Hebert also was appointed by Mr. Vinson to a six-

member subcommittee headed by Mr. Vinson himself with legislative jurisdiction over certain as-yet-undefined operations of the Central Intelligence Agency.

Representative Hardy, Virginia Democrat, who has been no less gentle than Mr. Hebert in questioning Pentagon officials in recent years, is expected to succeed him as chairman of the investigations subcommittee.